

## 312 AMENDMENT

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Title: BONDED SUBSTRATE FOR AN INTEGRATED CIRCUIT CONTAINING A PLANAR  
INTRINSIC GETTERING ZONE

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Remarks

Applicants thank the Examiner for the telephone conversation today, December 19, 2003, regarding the above claims. As elected by Applicant's representative, Scott V. Lundberg on April 11, 2002, Applicant elected Species I (Claims 24-48) with traverse.

With the allowance of claim 38 (as amended) Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner also allow previously presented but withdrawn claims 49-56 as re-presented above. Claim 49 has been amended to include the amendments of allowable claim 38. Applicant respectfully asserts that claim 38 is generic with respect to claim 49 and claim 49 includes all of the limitations of allowable claim 38. Claim 49 is directed to a bipolar junction transistor which is one type of semiconductor device. As a result, Applicant respectfully asserts that claims 49-56 should also be allowed and requests that the Examiner issue a supplemental notice of allowance including claims 49-56.

If the Examiner has any questions or concerns regarding this application, please contact Laura Ryan at 612-455-1685.

Respectfully submitted,

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